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SUMMARY: CONTINUING EFFORT IS REQUIRED TO SEEK A SOLUTION TO OBTAINING END FY 74 MAP (T) FUNDS FOR GHANA TRAINING NEEDS. STATUS OF CINCEUR FY74 FALLOUT FUNDS FROM MAP WILL NOT BE KNOWN UNTIL NEARER THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR. DATT/ARMA DISCUSSED THIS ISSUE AT CINCEUR, 01 MAR 74. CONSENSUS IS THAT EVEN IF FALLOUT FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE, GHANA WOULD BE INELIGIBLE FOR THEM BECAUSE OF A FIXED CEILING OF DOLLARS FORTY THOUSAND. PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORITY MAY BE REQUIRED FOR GHANA TO EXCEED THAT CEILING. RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT SEEK SUCH AUTHORITY AS NECESSARY AND THAT GHANA BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY FOR
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END FY 74 FUNDS, AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE. GHANA CAN RESPOND IN

A SHORT TIME FRAME IF FUNDS AND SCHOOL QUOTAS ARE ALLOCATED.
END SUMMRY.

1. I AM CONCERNED THAT MAXIMUM EFFORT SHOULD BE EXERTED IN SEEKING A POSITIVE SOLUTION TO OBTAINING END FU74 MAP (T) FUNDS FOR GHANA TRAINING NEEDS. DATT ATTENDED CINCEUR FY75 MAP (T) WORKSHOP 01 MAR 74. ON MY INSTRUCTIONS HE PRESSED FOR A DECISION ON ALLOCATING A HIGH PRIORITY TO GHANA FOR END FY 74 FALLOUT FUNDS FROM ANY SOURCE. WHILE CINCEUR REPRESENTATIVES WERE SYMPATHETIC AND APPRECIATIVE OF PROBLEM, THEY WERE MOMENTARILY AT AN IMPASSE. FIRST, ALL AGREED THAT FALLOUT FUNDS WILL BE MORE READILY IDENTIFIABLE WITHIN THE LAST 30 TO 45 DAYS OF THE FISCAL YEAR. SECOND, CINCEUR HAS ALREADY RESPONDED TO REF B AND GRANTED THE MAXIMUM DOLLAR INCREASE WITHIN HIS AUTHORITY-NOT TO EXCEED TEN PERCENT OF ESTABLISHED COUNTRY CEILING. THIRD, CINCEUR INSTRUCTIONS ARE THAT AUTHORITY TO EXCEED GHANA CEILING OF FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS BEYOND TEN PERCENT REQUIRES A PRESIDENTIAL DECISION. (WE IN ACCRA ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO JUDGE WHETHER PRESIDENTIAL APPROVAL REQUIRED OR WHETHER DECISION MAY BE TAKEN AT ANOTHER LEVEL) FOURTH, WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE THAT SUCH A DECISION HAS BEEN REQUESTED, OR THAT ANY FURTHER ACTION IS PENDING.

2. THE ARGUMENTATION WHICH WE PROVIDED IN REFTEL A REMAINS FULLY VALID. WE THUS CONTINUE STRONGLY TO BELIEVE THAT OUR INTERESTS ARE SERVED BY OBTAINING ADDITIONAL TRAINING FUNDS. I ALSO WISH TO STRESS THE FOLLOWING:

A. THE PURPOSE OF REFTEL B WAS TO ESTABLISH AUTHORITY FOR GHANA TO EXCEED ITS COUNTRY CEILING BY TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS, AND TO BE PLACED ON THE WAITING LIST FOR FALLOUT FUNDS ON A HIGH PRIORITY. AT THE SAME TIME, IT PROVIDED DA/USAF WITH NECESSARY ADVANCE INFORMATION FOR PLANNING TO INSURE THAT SCHOOL QUOTAS WOULD BE AVAILABLE IF FUNDS WERE ALLOCATED UPON SHORT NOTICE. WE DO HAVE OFFICERS ON STANDBY WHO CAN RESPOND AND TRAVEL ON SHORT NOTICE, SUBJECT TO FUNDING AND SCHOOL QUOTAS.

B. SINCE 1966, MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY GHANAIAAN OFFICERS HAVE GRADUATED FROM CONUS MILITARY SCHOOLS. EACH HAS BEEN BETTER PREPARED FOR MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES AND MAINTENANCE
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OF EQUIPMENT, HAS INCREASED TECHNICAL PROFICIENCY AND IS A BETTER LEADER. GHANAIAANS ARE INTELLIGENT, INTERESTED, SCORE HIGHLY IN COMPETITION WITH OTHERS AND MAKE THE MOST OF THEIR TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE UPON RETURN TO GHANA. GRADUATES HAVE RISEN TO AND ARE CURRENTLY IN THE HIGHEST POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. GRANT AID MAP(T) FOR GHANA HAS BEEN A POSITIVE FACTOR IN MAINTAINING GOOD RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

C. A TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLAR END OF YEAR INCREASE CAN BE
PUT TO GOOD ADVANTAGE AND WILL BE VISIBLE AND TIMELY EVIDENCE
OF OUR INTEREST IN GHANA AND IN AFRICA.

3. REQUEST THAT DEPARTMENT SEEK AUTHORITY (WHETHER BY
PRESIDENTIAL DECISION OR OTHER ACCEPTABLE MEANS) FOR GHANA
TO EXCEED ITS ESTABLISHED CEILING OF FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS
AND THAT CINCEUR BE ADVISED THAT GHANA SHOULD HAVE A HIGH
PRIORITY FOR ANY FALLOUT FUNDS FROM FY 74 THAT BECOME
AVAILABLE, NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS.
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